UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Title: RECORDING MEDIUM, RECORDING APPARATUS AND **RECORDING METHOD**

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. [X] Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)

- 2. [] Small Entity Status is hereby asserted.
- 3. [X] Specification

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- Descriptive title of the Invention
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- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- **Detailed Description**
- Claim(s)

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Abstract of the Disclosure

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 - [X] Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
 - i. [] DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
- 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) 10. []
 - [] Power of Attorney
- English Translation Document (if applicable) 11. []
- 12. [X] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 [] Copies of IDS Citations
- 13. [X] Preliminary Amendment
- 14. [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
- Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) 15. [] (if foreign priority is claimed)
- 16. [] Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 1-22 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
- 17. [X] Other Claim of Priority Under 35 USC 119

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- [] Continuation
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- [] Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No. 09/395,218

Prior Application Information: Examiner

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CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC 119

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Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 10-259908, filed September 14, 1998, and Japanese Patent Application No. 10-350100, filed December 9, 1998, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

A certified copy of said Japanese Patent Applications are of record in parent application Serial No. 09/395,218, filed September 14, 1999.

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